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TO: Area Agencies on Aging and Senior Centers

FROM: Karen E. Gottovi *Karen E. Gottovi*

DATE: September 17, 2004

RE: 1) 2004-2005 State Appropriation for Senior Center Outreach
2) **REVISED** 2004-2005 General Purpose Funding

This Administrative Letter replaces the original letter dated September 1, 2004 and removes the \$50,000 in non-recurring funding which was erroneously calculated as part of the original allocation.

The 2004-05 session of the General Assembly recently restored much of the Senior Center General Purpose and Outreach funding. This year the Division of Aging and Adult Services has decided to keep the allocation for Senior Center Outreach at \$100,000 and each region will get an equal amount. The information regarding the Outreach monies has already been released. The \$100,000 is divided among the seventeen (17) regions with each region receiving \$5,888.

The Senior Center General Purpose funding, however, has been increased. For SFY 2003-04, the Senior Center General Purpose funding amounted to \$984,316. This year the General Assembly appropriated an additional \$281,000. The state total is \$1,265,316 with a local match of \$421,772 for a grand total of \$1,687,088. The local match for both programs will remain at 25% and can be cash or in-kind. Based on this requirement, the breakout is as follows:

	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total</u>
Senior Center Outreach	\$100,000	\$33,337	\$133,137
Senior Center General Purpose	\$1,265,316	\$421,772	\$1,687,088

The General Purpose funding will be allocated to the Area Agencies on Aging for distribution to the centers within the regions which the AAAs have determined provide full-time programs or will utilize this funding to develop full-time programs. **The centers receiving these allocations must be listed in the Division's Senior Center Directory [which is attached with this letter or can be located on the Division's website].** Over the past six years, the senior center certification process has increased the base funding for those who have successfully completed this process. This ensures that funding is

being well spent on readily identifiable programs and services and provides an incentive for centers that make investments to meet the certification requirements. Therefore, in order to provide an incentive to work toward certification, and to reward those who achieve it, the Division is again funding senior centers, equally, based on their certification status. The objectives for this year as in years past are to:

- Allocate funding equally to every center, based upon certification status;
- Require documentation and accountability for the use of funding, and;
- Provide incentives for centers to improve themselves through certification.

The annual appropriation will again be divided into *shares* based on the total number of senior centers as determined by Area Agencies on Aging plus extra portions for each senior center which has been certified through August 31, 2004. Uncertified, identified centers will receive one *share* equal to \$5,912. Centers of Merit will receive two *shares* equal to \$11,828, and the first 24 of the 25 Centers of Excellence will receive three *shares* equal to \$17,741, with the remaining center receiving \$17,740.

The allocation distribution per center is as follows: [The total represents the addition of local match].

	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total</u>
Uncertified Centers	\$ 5,912	\$1,971	\$ 7,883
Centers of Merit	\$11,828	\$3,943	\$15,771
Centers of Excellence			
[#'s 1-24]	\$17,741	\$5,914	\$23,655
[# 25]	\$17,740	\$5,913	\$23,653

The **25% matching resources** for this funding must not be used to match any other state or federal funding that the agency may receive. *The local match may be in the form of cash and/or in-kind and must directly support the purpose for which the funds are being used.* Senior Center networks receiving funding for more than one [1] center are expected to expend funds designated at each center, unless a different expenditure arrangement is approved by the Division.

The twenty-five [25] Centers of Excellence are as follows:

Ashe County Senior Center, West Jefferson
Caldwell County Senior Center, Lenoir
Chatham County Senior Center, Pittsboro
Cleveland County Senior Center, [Leona Smith Neal Memorial Center] Shelby
Davidson County Senior Center, Lexington
Davidson County Senior Center, Thomasville
Duke Street Senior Center, Durham
East Burke Senior Center, Burke County, Hildebran

Eastern Wake Senior Center, Wendell
Franklinton Senior Center, Franklin County
Greensboro Senior Center, Guilford County
Harvest House, Buncombe County, Asheville
Heritage Place, Pender County, Burgaw
Iredell County Senior Center, Statesville
Lois B. Harrill Senior Center, Watauga County, Boone
Louisburg Senior Center, Franklin County
Morganton-Burke Senior Center, Burke County, Morganton
The NASH, Nash County Senior Center, Nashville
New Hanover County Senior Center, Wilmington
Northern Wake Senior Center, Wake Forest
Person County Senior Center, Roxboro
Roy B. Culler Senior Center, High Point, Guilford County
*Rufty-Holmes Senior Center, Rowan County, Salisbury
 also Nationally Accredited
Whitaker Mill Senior Center, Wake County, Raleigh
Whiteville Senior Center, Columbus County, Whiteville

The six [6] Centers of Merit area as follows:

Benson Senior Center, Johnston County, Benson
Clayton Senior Center, Johnston County, Clayton
Hope Mills Senior Center, Cumberland County, Hope Mills
Kernersville Shepherd's Center, Forsyth County
Spring Lake Senior Center, Cumberland County
Troy-Montgomery Senior Center, Montgomery County, Troy

The funding will be entered into ARMS as senior center general purpose funding service code 176, fund source code 7. **This funding must be expended and reported for reimbursement by June 11, 2005.** No state funds can be dispersed after the close of the fiscal year.

If you have any questions, please call Judy Smith, Steve Freedman, Mark Hensley, or Gary Cyrus at the Division, 919-733-0440.

Thank you.